

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Nicole Conner - j.nicoleconner@gmail.com

Welcome to a New Year! I don't know about your life, but in mine, time is flying and I feel I need to put on my track shoes and pick up the pace. I can hear my mother's voice in my head saying, "Time feels more fleeting the older you get!" Try as I may to push that thought away, and I'm certainly not willing to admit I'm getting old, I am beginning to understand the saying.

Closing out the previous year amid the bustle of holiday festivities keeps us all jumping and there is no reprieve from the fast pace as we begin the New Year. We immediately delve into packing up our holiday décor, finding room to pack away the many gifts, and struggling to pack those extra pounds into pre-holiday clothes. Amid all this "packing" we are bombarded by media encouraging us to "start the year right" by setting goals and making resolutions to do even more...lose weight, read more, exercise and get fit, get out of debt, volunteer to serve... the prompting is relentless.

I do believe, however, there is merit to this New Year's tradition, besides lining merchant's pockets stocking up on the latest fitness gear. To pause and contemplate this New Year as a new beginning, to evaluate our motives and goals in life, and to measure our progress or lack thereof. As I, "put on my track shoes and pick up the pace"... am I sprinting towards my goals or just running in circles? With that in mind, let me share some of the prompts I have found that help me align my compass "due North".

 Reduce Stress. Remember the Latin motto "Dum Spiro Spero" which translates "While I Breathe, I Hope". When you feel the stress of the day mounting, remember to breathe. Indulge yourself with some quiet time...sipping tea, meditating, enjoying a hot bath, or just sitting listening to music.

- 2. Escape From Social Media. Dedicate a part of each day to silencing your phone, or at least put it in a drawer several hours before you go to sleep. Let the world wonder what you're doing instead of giving them a minute-by-minute account...yawn. Or better yet, go enjoy the outdoors with your beardies or talk to someone face-to-face.
- 3. Volunteer Your Time to Help Others. Offering your time in helping others improves not only the lives of those you help, but serves to lift your spirits and outlook on life. If you need ideas may I suggest helping the BCCA or your local breed club in some capacity...wink, wink.
- 4. Lighten Up and Laugh. Did you know that "Pointer Pups Poop Along North-South Magnetic Lines"? Seriously, this article exists, Google it! My first thought was, "Huh, I wonder how you get funding to research something like that...?" I subsequently did my due diligence and found the scientific "research" for this is total crap (yes, it's a terrible pun) but I laughed myself silly reading it and check my compass just for fun when I walk the dogs!!
- 5. Travel More. Plan to visit some place new this year, or visit a favorite place or person that brings you joy. Start planning the trip now and envision every detail with childlike enthusiasm. Experts tell us that pre-trip anticipation contributes 70% to the success of the adventure. So start planning for that dog show trip...uh, I mean family vacation now and find joy in the journey.

Whatever the New Year means to you, I hope it brings you Joy, Peace, Love and Beardie Kisses. This promises to be a busy and exciting year for all of us and I look forward to all the great experiences ahead.

Nicole

The mission of the Bearded Collie Club of America is to protect the long-term welfare of the breed by providing a variety of opportunities for Beardie owners, breeders, and the general public to learn, connect, and compete, while supporting research into breed-specific health issues and rescuing Beardies in need.

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# **DECEMBER 27, 2016 BCCA BOARD MEETING**

Rosemary Schroeder, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order by President Nicole Connor at 8:33 PM, EST.

Present: Connor, Schroeder, Prassa, Deily, Andreassend, Hobe, Wistrom, Cox, Floberg, Furlow, Ritter; Absent: Means

Report of the Recording Secretary (Schroeder)

The minutes of the November 22, 2016 Board Meeting were approved as distributed.

Report of the Corresponding Secretary (Deily)

The Corresponding Secretary's Report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes.

Report of the Treasurer (Means)

The Treasurer's report is attached hereto and is a part of these minutes.

Reports of Committees:

There were no committee reports.

**Unfinished Business** 

There was no unfinished business.

#### **New Business**

- 1. Motion to allow the Rocky Mountain Bearded Collie Connection to use the BCCA license to host two (AM and PM) herding tests and trials on June 10, 2017, at Cathy Balliu's ranch in Ft. Lupton, CO. (Conner)
- 2. Motion to approve the Executive Committee's decision to list the BCCA in the 2017 AKC Meet & Compete Show Guide and to request the Garden State Bearded Collie Clan to represent the BCCA at the event to be held on February 11, 2017. (Conner)

Election of New Members - The following applicants were approved for membership:

Beverly Barton - Full/Single, Beaver Creek, OH Sponsor: Mary Jean Rudd Dagmara Boltrukiewicz - Foreign/Single, Luboń, Poland Sponsor: Linda Porter Steven Winkler - Full/Single, Nanuet, NY Sponsor: Lillian Esposito

Membership Applications for December Vote

There are no applicants to vote on in January.

Proposed Motions for December

There were no proposed motions.

For the Good of the Order

Rosie reminded board members to send in nominations for the 2017 Nominating Committee. We will vote on the committee at the January meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:52 PM EST

Next Meeting - Tuesday, January 24, 2017

# **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Ad reservations for the BEARDIE BULLETIN are due **February 6TH 2017**. Contact the editor to reserve ad space Lillian Esposito, <a href="mailto:lillianespo@verizon.net">lillianespo@verizon.net</a>.

# **BAGPIPES DEADLINE**

The deadline for the next BAGPIPES is **February 1ST, 2017**Email your reports and articles to
Michele Ritter, topdogs@ptd.net

## CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

Robin Deily • robin.deily@gmail.com

Please send all changes in your email and snail mail addresses and telephone numbers to the BCCA Corresponding Secretary.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Beverly Barton from Beaver Creek, OH Dagmara Boltrukiewicz from Luboń, Poland Steven Winkler from Nanuet, NY

# **CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

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## LITTER LISTINGS

The BCCA does not endorse, recommend, or warrant any breeders or dogs who are included in the Litter Listing. Send updates to robin.deily@gmail.com

# July 27, 2016

Jill Farrington 111 Keeley Avenue New Britain, PA 18901

215-345-7304

buckram6@comcast.net

Blackfriar Buckram Return To Camelot ex CH Buckram's Think

Happy Thoughts

Sire: BC-4409G35M-VPI; Eyes: Normal; BC-EL725M35-VPI;

Thyroid: Normal

Dam: BC-3959G32F-PI; BC-EYE185/101F-VPI; BC-

TH338/65F-PI 4 Black M, 3 Black F

## Projected Litter Birth Date: January 16, 2017

Molly McNamara, Beth Tilson & Shannon Smart

P.O. Box 1219 Lyons, CO 80540

bouncebarkrun@gmail.com

CH Nonesuch Rockstar ex CH Orion Across The Universe From Highlander BN RE HSAs PT FDC CGC

Sire: Hips:BC-4024G24M-VPI; Eyes:BC-358172 (Tested:2011); Thyroid:BC-TH323/13M-VPI; Elbow:BC-EL529M24-VPI Dam: Hips:BC-4417G24F-VPI; Eyes:BC-EYE178/24F-PI; Thyroid:BC-TH605/24F-VPI; Elbow:BC-EL732F24-VPI

JANUARY 2017 RECORDING SECRETARY
OFFICIAL NOTICES

# 2018 NATIONAL SPECIALTY HERDING TRIAL JUDGE NOMINATIONS

Standing Rule 8.4.1 • After a bid to host the national has been accepted by the board, the specialty herding trial chair will request recommendations for judges for each trial, test, and herding instinct test in the Bagpipes. Recommendations must be in writing or by email and include why that judge is recommended. The person making the recommendation must include the highest herding title he/she has earned. The recommendation must be received by the BCCA Herding Committee Chair within 60 days of publication of the request.

The BCCA Herding Committee will discuss and review each recommendation and the chair will forward a list of recommended judges, including commentary, to the National Specialty Herding Chair within 75 days of the publication of the recommendation request. The judge(s) for each herding event will be taken from this list. Should all recommended judges be unavailable, or in an emergency, the BCCA Herding Committee will assist the local chair in finding an appropriate judge(s)."

Please send your recommendations to the BCCA Herding chair, by March 15, 2017.

Elsa Sell

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## 2016 MEMBER OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS

Standing Rule 4.7.1 • Member of the Year. This award will recognize the BCCA member or group of members who, as a result of their activity, has made the most significant contribution to the advancement of the Bearded Collie Club of America or the bearded collie. The award will be publicly announced and presented at the National Specialty banquet in the year following the calendar year for which the honor is awarded. Nominations for the award will be accepted from any BCCA member in good standing. Nominations must be received by the recording secretary on or before March 21st of the year following the calendar year for which the award is made. Each nomination shall be accompanied by a 250 word (maximum) statement justifying the award for the particular nominee. Seated officers and board members are not eligible for the award.

### **BID FOR BEARDIE BULLETIN EDITOR**

Bids are now being solicited and accepted for editing the Beardie Bulletin for 2017-2018. If you are interested, please contact the Recording Secretary for bid specifications. Send your completed bid, on or before March 15th, to Rosemary Schroeder, 1405 Everest Road, Venice, FL 34293 or email to rschroeder198@gmail.com.

# BCCA BALANCE SHEET AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016

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Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
<b>Edward Jones Checking</b>	
Rescue	42,236.51
Edward Jones Checking - Other	109,091.90
<b>Total Edward Jones Checking</b>	151,328.41
Total Checking/Savings	151,328.41
Other Current Assets	
<b>Edward Jones Certificates</b>	138,262.67
<b>Total Other Current Assets</b>	138,262.67
Total Current Assets	289,591.08
TOTAL ASSETS	289,591.08
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	244,945.81
Retained Earnings	60,073.99
Net Income	-15,428.72
Total Equity	289,591.08
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	289,591.08

# **BCCA PROFIT & LOSS DECEMBER 2016**

8:50 AM • 01/04/17 • Cash Basis

	Dec 16	Jul - Dec 16
Income		
Bagpipes		
Litter Listings & Ads	0.00	50.00
Total Bagpipes	0.00	50.00
Beardie Bulletin		
Additional Copies	0.00	28.00
Advertising	300.00	7,618.00
Subcriptions	34.00	13,337.00
Total Beardie Bulletin	334.00	20,983.00
<b>Donations from Members</b>		
General Fund	0.00	44.00
<b>Total Donations from Members</b>	0.00	44.00
Illustrated Standard Sales	0.00	232.00
Investments		
Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	1.76	1,386.13
Total Investments	1.76	1,386.13
Member Dues		
Affiliate Clubs	0.00	375.00
New Members	25.00	310.00
Renewal Dues		
Late Fee	0.00	530.00
Renewal Dues - Other	0.00	14,490.00
Total Renewal Dues	0.00	15,020.00
Total Member Dues	25.00	15,705.00
Misc Income	0.00	390.92
Rescue		
BCCA Designated Rescue Funds	0.00	1,989.00
Total Rescue	0.00	1,989.00
Total Income	360.76	40,780.05
Expense		
Agility Trial Expenses		
BCCA Agility Expenses	1,100.00	1,200.00
Total Agility Trial Expenses	1,100.00	1,200.00
AKC Club Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	25.00
Bank Charges (NSF & Fees)	0.00	35.00
Bulletin		
Art Direction, Editing	0.00	2,610.00
Printing	4,480.00	9,679.74
Bulletin - Other	0.00	-30.00
Total Bulletin	4,480.00	12,259.74
Charitable Donation	0.00	22,500.00
Contract Services		
CPA - Tax Prep	0.00	500.00
Total Contract Services	0.00	500.00
Herding		
Database conversion	0.00	840.00
Total Herding	0.00	840.00
Juniors Scholorships	0.00	250.00
Misc Expense	0.00	128.81
National Specialty		
2017 National Specialty	0.00	7,000.00
2018 National Seed Money	0.00	7,500.00
Total National Specialty	0.00	14,500.00
Parliamentarian Expenses	0.00	2,552.44
PayPal	12.81	499.43
Reconciliation Discrepancies	0.00	75.10
Sunshine Committee	0.00	200.00
Trophies	3.00	_55.50
Maintenance	0.00	247.61
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Total Trophies	0.00 395 64	
	395.64 5,988.45	395.64

#### 2017 BCCA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### **JANUARY**

BCCA Member of the Year Nominations Open

2017 Calendar of Events published

15 BCCA – Specialty judges preliminary ballots due to Treasurer

#### **FEBRUARY**

- 15 BCCA Final ballots for Specialty conformation judges due to membership for voting
- 15 BCCA Nominations for Board positions to Nominating Committee
- 24-26 Northern California BCF Agility Workshop with Loretta Mueller, Placer Dog Training, Granite Bay, CA

#### **MARCH**

- 15 BCCA Herding judge recommendations to the Herding Chair for the 2018 National Specialty
- 15 BCCA Member of the Year Award nominations due to Recording Secretary
- 30 BCCA Final ballots for Specialty conformation judges due to Treasurer
- 31 BCC Southern California 2 Independent Specialties/1 Sweepstalkes, held in conjunction with the Kern County Kennel Club, Bakersfield, CA. Entries: www.bandoian-butler.com; closing date: 3/15

#### **APRIL**

BCCA - Nominations for BCCA Officers and Directors announced to membership

- 14-16 BCCA All Breed Agility Trials, Amherst, NH; opening Date: 2/9, closing Date: 3/18; FMI: noreen@pawprinttrials.com
- 21 National Capital BCC Specialty. Maryland State Fairgrounds, Timonium, MD: Superintendent MB-F
- 23 National Capital BCC Supported Entry at Baltimore County KC, Timonium, MD; Superintendent MB-F
- 21-23 Northern California BCF all-breed agility trials, Leone Equestrian Center, Sacramento, CA

#### MAY

19-20 BCCA Supported Entries, hosted by BCC Maine, Scarborough, ME; closing Date: 5/3; Superintendent: MB-F

#### JUNE

- 1 BCCA Membership Renewal Notices to be sent
- 2-4 Great Plains BCC all breed herding trials, New Richmond, WI; Carol Freeman, Secretary, FMI beardieone@mchsi.com
- 3 BCCA Specialty with Sweeps, hosted by BCC Maine at Ladies' Dog Club shows, Wrentham, MA; closing date: 5/17; Superintendent: MB-F
- 4 BCCA Supported Entry, hosted by BCC Maine at Ladies' Dog Club shows, Wrentham, MA; closing date: 5/17; Superintendent: MB-F
- 6-7 Northern California BCF Herding Trial, JR Ranch, Patterson, CA; Karen Toth, Event Secretary; closing date: 5/25
- 9 Northern California BCF Obedience, Rally, Conformation & Sweeps. Superintendent :MB-F; closing date: 5/25
- 9-10 Northern California BCF Supported entries at Woofstock
- 10-11 National Capital BCC All-Breed Herding Trial; Scarlets Mill, Birdsboro, PA; B.D. White, Event Secretary; closing date 5/27
- 23-24 BCCA Supported Entries at the Penobscot Valley KC Shows, Cumberland, ME; hosted by BCC Maine. Superintendent: Rau; closing date 6/8

#### JULY

- 1 BCCA Membership Renewal due/Affiliate Club Membership renewals due
- 1 2017 BCCA Board Seated
- 1-2 Northern California BCF all breed AKC herding trial, Patterson, CA
- 15 BCC Maine 11th Annual Beardie Bounce & BBQ, Scarborough, ME

## **AUGUST**

#### **SEPTEMBER**

- 1 BCCA Nominations for 2018 Specialty Conformation/Sweepstakes Judges due to Recording Secretary
- 9 Garden State BCC Specialty & Sweepstakes, Bridgewater, NJ. Superintendent MB-F; closing date 8/19.
- 30 BCCA 2017 National Specialty Herding Trial 1, Rotti-Ewe Farm, Wright City, MO

## **OCTOBER**

- 1 BCCA 2017 National Specialty Herding Trial #2, Rotti-Ewe Farm, Wright City, MO
- 2 BCCA 2017 National Specialty move in day & agility trial, Purina Event Center, Gray Summit, MO
- 3 BCCA 2017 National Specialty agility trial & obedience C match, Purina Event Center, Gray Summit, MO
- 4 BCCA 2017 National Specialty obedience & rally trials, Sweepstakes & Veteran Sweepstakes, Purina Event Center, Gray Summit, MO
- 5 6 BCCA 2017 National Specialty regular conformation judging, Purina Event Center, Gray Summit, MO
- 19, 22 Northern California BCF all breed AKC agility trials, Pleasanton, CA

## NOVEMBER

30 BCCA – Preliminary ballots to members for 2019 National conformation judges

#### **DECEMBER**

## A SAFE AND JOYOUS HOLIDAY SEASON TO ALL!